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SUBJECT: CIVAIR -- CARGO RATES

REF: STATE 53835

1. CIVILAIR (VAN ALPHEN) AWARE THAT CAB HAD DISMISSED COMPLAINTS AGAINST KLM/ SABENA FILINGS. HE WAS CONFUSED, AS WE ARE, AS TO WHETHER THIS AMOUNTS TO APPROVAL OF KLM TARIFFS AND CANCELLATION OF OUR FORMAL EXPRESSION OF DISSATISFACTION.

2. HE INDICATED THAT, EVEN IF KLM TARIFFS HAVE CAB CLEARANCE, SEABOARD MARCH 5 FILING WITH CIVILAIR WOULD PRESUMABLY BE DISAPPROVED ON GROUNDS OF DIFFERENT TARIFF LEVEL FROM KLM' S. (LOCAL SEABOARD REP HAS ALREADY RECEIVED NOTICE OF DISAPPROVAL.) HE BASED THIS ON PRINCIPLE OF NO RATE DIFFERENTIAL BETWEEN AIRLINES.

3. COMMENT: CIVILAIR WOULD NO DOUBT APPROVE SEABOARD FILING ADJUSTED TO SAME LEVEL AS KLM (VAN ALPHEN) SUGGESTED KLM- SEABOARD CONVERSATION). WE DO NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND THEIR INSISTENCE ON EQUALITY EVEN THOUGH FOREIGNCOMPETITION OFFERS NON- COMPETITIVE RATES, BUT SURMISE THEY ARE LEERY OF PRECEDENT. UNLESS RATES ARE EQUALIZED BY AIRLINES, BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS WOULD APPEAR NECESSARY TO AVOID SEABOARD DIFFICULTIES BEGINNING APRIL 4.

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DEPARTMENT' S GUIDANCE IS REQUESTED, SINCE CIVILAIR HAS RAISED
THESE QUESTIONS WITH US.
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